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For: METHOD, COMPUTER PROGRAM PRODUCT, AND APPARATUS FOR
COLLECTING SERVICE LEVEL AGREEMENT STATISTICS IN A
COMMUNICATION NETWORK

Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Dear Sir:

Prior to examination on the merits, reconsideration of the above-identified patent application in view of the following remarks is respectfully requested.

IN THE SPECIFICATION:

Before the first line, please insert the following sentence:

The present invention is a continuation of U.S. Patent Application Serial Number

09/469,507 filed on December 22, 1999 (attorney docket number 09710-0026), the content of

which are hereby incorporated by reference.

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